

I believe that the FCC should not implement any proposal that would lessen Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections. it should be my own choice whether or not I wish to receive telemarketing calls or not. It is my right.

Prior to Indiana implementing this law I was receiving between 8-10 soliciting phone calls per day, mostly during dinner and evening hours. Even with caller ID this resulted in the need to get up or to be taken away from activities that I was engaged in.

this law has been extremely effective in eliminating these irritating and unwanted calls. I receive plenty of opportunities to respond to marketing ads through the mail, should I wish to engage them.

The laws of any state are there at the behest of the people. it is the obligation of the government to honor the wishes of the people as their representatives in establishing laws for the benefit of the people. I would expect the FCC to honor the wishes of the people in this matter. Only a fool would not realize the intense lobbying pressure from the telemarketing industry in this issue. Please respect the wishes of the people in the State of Indiana in this matter. If the FCC chooses to enact a telemarketing law, then let the states who wish to strengthen the law through their own legislation, have precedence should the people choose to do so.

I will be following this legislation closely and encouraging my representatives and senators to be mindful of my desires.

Thank you,

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the importance of Indiana's law.